

# Middlebury Register.

TUESDAY, MAY 20, 1873.

## RUTLAND AND BURLINGTON RAILROAD

TRAINS LEAVE MIDDLEBURY:	
MOVING NORTH.	MOVING SOUTH.
3:15 A. M.	9:50 A. M.
6:50 A. M.	11:30 A. M.
3:55 P. M.	4:50 P. M.
6:20 "	11:00 "

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The fashionable aprons, fronted, demi-train hoop skirts for sale at Chapman's.

—William Manney took too much rum on Friday, became a nuisance on the street, and secured lodgings at the State's expense. He disclosed on Saturday morning.

—Decoration day occurs on Friday, May 30th. It will be observed in Middlebury and at the east village with appropriate ceremonies in which the public are invited to participate and assist.

—Drugs, medicines, chemicals, toilet and fancy goods, perfumery, confectionery, druggist's sundries, paints, oils, varnishes, window glass, dye stuffs, Alsatian water on draft, at Case & Dider's.

CONFISCATED.—A barrel of ale and about twenty-eight gallons of whiskey were seized at Dix's saloon, last Wednesday afternoon, and adjudged forfeited, and ordered to be turned over to the town agent.

—Henry McMasters had a night's lodging in jail last week, because he took too much of the ardent. He disclosed that he was treated by a couple of men from Weybridge who were determined to have a good time and invited him to help them.

—One night last week an attempt was made to set fire to an unoccupied dwelling house in the south part of this village. A pane of glass was removed and fire set to some combustible material inside upon the floor, but it went out of itself after scorching the floor and wall a little.

MILITIA.—Company "M" of the Vermont Militia, in this place, held an election of officers last Friday evening, rendered necessary by the promotion of Capt. Martin to be Major of the Regiment. The officers elected are as follows: Captain, W. W. Dewey; Lt. Lieut., John Sargent; 2d Lieut., Clay N. Dickinson.

—A. F. Styles, Esq., and family, arrived from their winter residence in Florida, last Wednesday. Mr. Styles will proceed at once to fit up his house and improve his farm upon Chipman's Hill. Charles H. Cooke, son of Judge Cooke, who has been staying in Florida for his health during the winter, arrived home on Saturday.

—The Middlebury correspondent of the Rutland *Globe* says the attendance at the Catholic services in this village has fallen off more than one third within the past two years. In other respects the church is in a flourishing condition, having paid off a debt of some six thousand dollars within the last three or four years and now has a fine house and grounds for its resident priest, free of incumbrance.

—The Elfin Star Troop gave one of their performances to a good sized audience, at Academy Hall, last Wednesday evening. It was quite as good if not better than most traveling exhibitions of that class, but some parts of it, though displaying considerable aptness if not talent, were in exceedingly bad taste. We suppose the ladies who were present looked the other way when the questionable portions were in progress.

RESIST THE OFFICES.—Growing out of circumstances connected with the liquor saloon at Dix's saloon, last Wednesday afternoon, on Thursday morning Wm. H. H. Dix was arrested and arraigned for obstructing the officer in the execution of his official duties. Upon examination the respondent was held for trial in three hundred dollars bonds. It appears that Dix seized all money and stove in the head of the whiskey barrel after it had been seized and while it was in the keeping of the officer, so that about half of it ran out upon the ground, and the previous (?) sum was wasted.

—Among the other notable events of the week, we should not omit to mention that Mr. Dix has been summoned before the County Court, on a civil process, for damages laid at \$500, for knocking down one of the clerks in this village, an event to which we referred at the time. If this saloon keeper is not inclined to pay us anything for all the gratuitous advertising we have given him in this issue, we shall bring no action to recover; but we suppose, of course, this hint will be sufficient. The size of hat we wear is 8.

BROKE JAIL.—Christopher Carter, awaiting trial at the next term of the Addison County Court for horsestealing and Joe Germani, held on a charge of larceny, broke out of the Middlebury jail last Thursday night. Carter made pretence of being sick, and in consideration of his illness was allowed to have his bed by the stove in the main room. Thursday night he was so very sick that his confidante Joe Germani was allowed to take care of him instead of being locked into his cell as usual. Friday morning the room was found to be empty. Two bars had been sawed off in front of the window, making an opening about eleven inches square. It is thought outside parties rendered them aid. The officers are still pursuing the prisoners, and it is hoped they may be overhauled.

TEMPERANCE MEETING.—The Middlebury Temperance Society held their monthly meeting at the Methodist church, on Sunday evening. Rev. W. H. Meeker, pastor of the Methodist church, officiated in the opening exercises, and introduced Rev. P. N. Granger, agent of the State Society, who delivered a powerful and eloquent address upon the general subject, but especially pointing to the great evil and the terrible results of intemperance and the traffic in intoxicating liquors. He referred to the crime, the pauperism, the misery, the ruined hopes of parents, and a whole catalogue of the most terrible evils, all resulting from this widespread vice. He also showed the duty of temperance men and women, and intimated that in his opinion, when the milder measures were ineffectual for the suppression of the traffic, the more severe should be used.

—The Postal Cards which we have heard so much about, were offered for sale at the post offices of all the large cities, Wednesday, the 14th inst.

Their size is 2½ x 3½ inches, of a light buff color; one side plain; the other surrounded by a light bronze scroll, bears a one cent U. S. postage stamp of the same color, and these words, "United States Postal Card." "Write the address only on this side, the message on the other." They are sold for one cent each, in large or small quantities. They

afford a cheap medium for advertising. A New York advertising firm, purchased 20,000 and for short messages such as receipts, acknowledgments, notices, &c. &c., they will be used almost exclusively.

The first one received at Middlebury was on the afternoon mail, Wednesday last, the day they were issued, and eighteen hours before any were received in Burlington. It was postedmark Springfield, Mass., May 14, and addressed to E. J. Matthews, and bore this message, "How do you like them, they are manufactured in this city."

The first one sent from here was mailed Saturday morning by J. W. Martin. They will be for sale at the Post Office in this place as soon as the supply ordered is received.

FARMERS' MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.—This company has done business in Vermont for twenty-three years, and now has insured in this State farm property amounting to over \$26,820,677. They have a cash surplus of over \$72,885, and have never made an assessment on farm property since the company was organized.

The cost of insuring farm property is about 20 per cent, less than in any other company in the country, while the indemnity is the best to be found, a prompt settlement of all losses being a specialty. The branch office of the company for Rutland and Addison Counties is located at Rutland, with M. J. Francisco as manager. The local agents of the company will call upon the farmers before their present policies expire, and give them a chance to renew, and also give those desirous of changing from other companies to this an opportunity to do so.

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